

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/621,090
Amendment dated May 20, 2005
Reply to Office Action of April 5, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

In the amendment, claims 2, 7-12, and 18 have been amended to replace the phrase "the calculated two-dimensional code" with "the two-dimensional code." Full support for this amendment exists in the claims as originally filed, as well as the patent application as originally filed. Accordingly, no questions of new matter should arise and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that claims 1 and 13-22 are allowed. The Examiner further indicated that claims 2-12 are only objected to based on a formality reason.

In particular, at page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner objects to claims 2-12 because the phrase "the calculated two-dimensional code" lacks proper antecedent basis. For the following reasons, this objection should be withdrawn.

The claims have been amended to replace the phrase as indicated above. The scope of the claim remains the same. By making this amendment, a more proper antecedent basis exists. Accordingly, this objection should be withdrawn.

Since this is the only outstanding issue, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendment and indicate that all claims are now allowed.

CONCLUSION

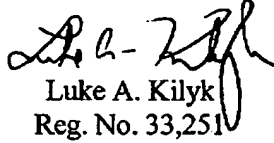
In view of the foregoing remarks, the applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

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